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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF

Jean Paul Remon

SERIAL NO.: To Be Assigned

FILED: Herewith

FOR: Cushioning Wax Beads for Making Solid

Shaped Articles

) Examiner:

) Group Art Unit No.

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The present application is the rational filing of International Application No. PCT/EP00/07175. Before calculation of the national filing fee in the United States Designated Office, it is requested that the application be amended as follows:

In the Claims

Cancel claims 1-26 without prejudice, and substitute new claims 27-46 as follows:

27. Biologically inactive cushioning beads for making solid shaped articles containing biologically active ingredients by compression, comprising at least one compressible cushioning component consisting essentially of a microcrystalline hydrocarbon wax or a natural wax, the said was being at least 30% by weight of the biologically inactive cushioning beads.